



Deer Class Newsletter September 2018

Dear Parents,

This last month was the student's first month of K4. They were introduced to their new schedule, as well as many new books. We did a lot of fun, new activities, and introduced important new materials and concepts. As the students are in K4 now, their class schedule is a bit different. They are expected to sit nicely in class and wait longer between play periods. I think so far the students are adjusting very well to their new schedule. I have broken up some of the very long periods, where they have classes back to back, with bathroom breaks and occasionally dance time to let the students get out all their energy and make sure everyone is having fun. This way the students are able to focus much more intently and as well as have fun.

This last month we have been focusing a lot on handwriting, as I believe it is very important for them to develop this foundation now as they're young. I am trying to encourage them to write slowly and neatly, through stickers, stamps and other prizes. The student all seem really excited about our prize system and all work really hard on their writing. I am so proud of them and glad they can find it fun, as well as educational. Next month I will continue to emphasize with them the importance of neat handwriting and good technique. Most of the students are able to hold a pencil properly and write almost all the letters and many words by themselves. I will continue to move forward with them while also practicing the fundamentals of writing the letters properly and in the right direction.

We will also be focusing a lot on new vocabulary and some basic spelling this month. As we have a lot of new vocabulary to get through this year, and only two spelling classes in week, I think the students would also benefit from practicing these words at home if at all possible. So I have begun writing out the word list in their communication books. I hope you will find this useful and that the students will enjoy showing off their newly learned words. Thank you all so much for your participation and attention. I look forward to seeing how much Deer class can accomplish in the coming year.

Reading Class

The month the students have a lot of fun, new, interesting books to read. Unlike like last year, when the books were a lot more difficult for the students as the some of the books had more difficult sentence patterns and their level was still low, this year the student's level is higher and the reading books are perfect for their level. I think the students all really enjoy reading class and are able to understand everything in the books. They will be learning so many useful sentence patterns and vocabulary words. I hope they can also continue to practice at home if possible and I am glad to watch them continue to grow and progress. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Here Comes the Parade

Week 2: It's Circle Time! Shapes

Week 3: Out the Door

Week 4: I Love Trees

Phonics Class

This month the students are continuing their review of the alphabet and basic phonics. I have been using this opportunity when they are writing in their workbooks, to have them practice their handwriting. I think they have been doing very well so far. Almost all of them are able to complete pages all on their own, as well as write the letters neatly and legibly. Their phonics has also improved a great deal, as many of them are able to spell out and write basic words like "cat" completely on their own. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Pages 27-30

Week 2: Pages 31-34

Week 3: Pages 35-38

Week 4: Pages 39-42

Core Material

Last month the students learned a lot in Core Material class. Not only were they able to learn new vocabulary words and sentence patterns, but they review a lot of their sight reading and phonics words. Core Material is a great opportunity for the students to practice their reading. They can also enjoy having some conversational practice and discussion time. Each section includes a question and a discussion topic. Last month's discussion topic was about "What do you do at school". It was a great chance for the students to practice their English. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 2: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 3: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 4: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 1

Math Class

This last month the students had a really great review in their math class. They practice tracing and writing skills, as well as doing mazes. I think practicing mazes is a great activity for them as they will slowly be able to advance to more and more difficult mazes. They were also able to do some more practice working with numbers and using their animal flashcards, as well as other items from their MPM box. Next month the students will be learning some new problem solving skills like grouping similar object, finding the correct number of certain objects, and much more. I am very glad they will be able to continue practice complex activities and learn valuable problem solving skills. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

September

Week 1: C2: Page 6-10

Week 2: C2: Page 11-14

Week 3: C2: Page 15-18

Week 4: C3: Page 1-5

Grammar and Spelling

Last month the students learned a lot in their grammar and spelling class. They are doing some very useful activities like matching pictures to the correct words and circling the sentence that are correct. It's great practice for reading, vocabulary, as well as grammar. We have also been playing a lot of fun, interactive spelling games. Next month we will do a lot of similar activities to let the student practice their spelling and grammar. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Pages 16-17

Week 2: Pages 18-19

Week 3: Pages 20-21

Week 4: Pages 22-23

Physical Education

Last month we had a lot of fun and interesting activities for our Physical Education class. We played one activity where teacher Alex and I hid small colored balls around the playground and the students had to find as many as they could and fill up their team's basket. Whichever team had the most balls was the winner. I think the students especially enjoyed practicing working together and doing more complex activities. Next month we will do some more interactive activities like this, including two-person car races, encourage teamwork and communication. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Tag

Week 2: Car Races

Week 3: Musical Chairs

Week 4: Hula-Hoops

Song and Dance

The students had a lot of fun in song and dance last month. They learned some fun new songs and enjoyed dancing around with each other and learning some new dance moves. Next month we will be learning Hokey Pokey, with in which the students need to follow instructions like “put your right hand in, put your left foot in”. I think this will be a good opportunity to begin teaching them about right and left. I have been doing an activity where I let them put a rubber band on their right hand so they know which is which, and then follow the teachers instructions of “raise your right hand, or put your left hand out”. The students have really been enjoying this and I’m sure they will have a lot of fun next month. Listed below is the curriculum schedule for this month of classes.

Week 1: Down By the River

Week 2: Hickory, Dickory, Dock

Week 3: Hickory, Dickory, Dock

Week 4: Hokey Pokey



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親愛的家長您好：

上個月是孩子們進入 K4 的第一個月，這學期我們更換了課程時間表以及新書。我們做了很多有趣的新活動，並介紹了本學期重要的教材和概念。由於學生現在在 K4，他們的課程安排有點不同，但我相信孩子們可以在課堂上坐得很好，專注力也能持續更長時間。我認為到目前為止，學生們正在適應他們的新課表，我花了很長一段時間，幫助孩子適應新學期，偶爾加入一些跳舞時間讓學生們能夠放鬆心情，確保每個人都玩得開心。透過這種方式，學生可以更專注地聚焦，也可以獲得樂趣。

上個月我們一直專注手寫能力，因為我相信他們在小班時就開發這個基礎非常重要。我試著利用貼紙、集點卡和其他獎品鼓勵孩子們可以緩慢而整潔地書寫。學生們對於獎勵制度感到非常興奮，我為他們感

到驕傲，也很高興他們能發現手寫既有趣又有教育意義。下個月，我會繼續加強他們有整潔的筆跡和良好的姿勢。大多數學生能夠正確地拿著鉛筆，並且自己寫下所有的字母和許多單詞，我將繼續向前邁進，同時練習正確寫字母的基本原則。

本月我們也會重點關注新單字和一些基本拼寫，由於我們今年有很多新詞彙可以學習使用，但是每週只有兩個拼寫課程，我認為如果可能的話，學生也可以在家裡複習這些單詞。所以我開始在他們的聯絡簿中寫出單詞列表。我希望您能協助孩子認識理解這些單詞的意思即可，學生們會喜歡炫耀他們新學到的單詞並慢慢運用在生活中。非常感謝您的參與和關注。我期待看到 Deer class 可以在這學期學到更多的東西。

Reading Class

這個月學生們有很多有趣的新書籍可供閱讀。與去年不同的是，這些書籍對學生來說要困難得多，因為有些句型或是單字比較難，去年度閱讀書的難易度偏簡單，今年學生的水平提高了，閱讀書籍也很適合他們目前的學習情況。我認為學生們都非常喜歡上課，能夠理解書中的一切，並試著自己念讀對於孩子們來說相當有成就感。他們將學習更多有用的句型和詞彙。我希望他們也可以在家練習，我很高興看到他們繼續成長和進步。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: Here Comes the Parade

Week 2: It's Circle Time! Shapes

Week 3: Out the Door

Week 4: I Love Trees

Phonics Class

這個月，學生們會繼續複習字母和基本語音學。當他們在課程中書寫時，我也一直利用這個機會讓他們練習手寫技巧。我認為到目前為止他們做得很好，幾乎所有人都能夠自己完成頁面並且書寫整齊，清晰地呈現這些字母。他們的語音學也有很大的進步，因為許多孩子能夠完全自己拼出並寫出像“cat”這樣的基本單詞。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 1: Pages 27-30

Week 2: Pages 31-34

Week 3: Pages 35-38

Week 4: Pages 39-42

Core Material

上個月，學生們在 Core Material 課程中學到了很多東西。他們不僅能夠學習新的詞彙單詞和句型，還會複習很多他們的閱讀和單詞。核心材料是學生練習閱讀的絕佳機會。他們還可以享受一些會話練習和團體討論。每個部分都包含一個問題和一個討論主題。上個月的討論主題是“What do you do at school”。這是學生練習英語的好機會。以下為本月課程進度表：

Week 1: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 2: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 3: Anthology: Unit 1, Week 1

Week 4: Workshop: Unit 1, Week 1

Math Class

上個月，學生們在數學課上得到了很好的學習回饋。他們練習描線和寫作以及迷宮。我認為練習迷宮對他們來說是一項偉大的活動，因為他們將慢慢地進入越來越難的迷宮。他們也加入更多的數字練習和配對動物卡片以及 MPM 盒子裡的其他教材。下個月，學生將學習一些新的解決問題技能，像是對類似對象進行分組，找到正確數量的等等。我很高興他們能夠繼續練習複雜的活動並培養解決問題的能力。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Grammar and Spelling

上個月，學生們在語法和拼寫課上學到了很多東西，他們正在做一些非常有用的活動，例如將圖片與正確的單詞匹配並圈出正確的句子。這是培養閱讀、詞彙和語法的好習慣。我們也玩過很多有趣的互動拼寫遊戲。下個月我們會做很多類似的活動，讓學生練習拼寫和語法。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Physical Education

上個月，我們為體育課提供了許多有趣和刺激的活動。我們準備了一項活動，Teacher Alex 和我在操場上藏匿許多小彩球，兩班的學生們必須盡力找出球，並填滿球隊的籃筐，只要哪支球隊擁有最多球，就是冠軍。我認為學生們特別喜歡這樣子班級性的活動。下個月我們將加入更多這樣的互動，包括兩人賽車，以達到團隊合作和溝通。以下為本月課程進度表：

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Week 4: Hula-Hoops

Song and Dance

上個月，學生們在歌舞方面玩得很開心。他們學到了一些有趣的新歌，喜歡和彼此一起跳舞，學習一些新的舞蹈動作。下個月我們將學習 Hokey Pokey，其中學生需要遵循“put your right hand in, put your left foot in”等指令。我認為這將是一個很好的機會，開始教他們分辨左右兩邊。我讓他們在右手邊放一條橡皮筋，這樣他們就知道右邊是哪個，然後按照老師的說法“raise your right hand, or put your left hand out”。學生們真的很喜歡這個，我相信他們下個月會有很多樂趣。以下為本月課程進度表：

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